

JARVIS JARGON!!

USCGC JARVIS

JARVIS Goes International!

Since arriving for a mid patrol break in Dutch Harbor, AK, the crew of JARVIS has been really busy! The wardroom taught the Chief's Mess how to play flag football in a rousing game,

a group of hardy souls gave up several hours of their free time to refurbish 2 pieces of Coast Guard history, the cutter rendezvoused & patrolled with a Russian Border Guard (FSB)

& the ship ensured the safety of the US' economic interests on the Maritime Boundary Line! Despite the high operational tempo, there was still time for Damage Control University, lots of drills, a line crossing ceremony, a Coast Guard Day

cookout & even karaoke on the mess deck! ship, some crew members sailed with the Russian ship, the entire crew enjoyed a foreign port call in Petropavlovsk-Kamchatka,

SN Camp, SN Parkhurst, SN Bonine, SN Biladeau, SN Kerschner, BM3 Jakubowski, SN Knoeppel, SN Dashnaw, & SN Gribbon man the foc'sle for special sea detail & have a good time doing it!!



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JARVIS Celebrates CG Day in Style

August 4th marked the 218th birthday of the United States Coast Guard! Despite being far from home port, & regardless of the less-than-ideal weather, JARVIS cele-

brated this landmark holiday in grand fashion! The FS division put together another awesome BBQ & Morale hosted a series of events on the mess-deck. Members of

DZERZHINSKY's crew even joined in on some of the action & the Russian Captain was quick to offer his congratulations!!



FS1 McAndrew & FS1 Edwards brave the elements to grill GREAT hot dogs & burgers.

JARVIS Crew Honors Decommissioned Ships!

In the early hours of the grey morning of July 27th, 2008, a group of 11 hardy sailors set forth from CGC JARVIS. They carried with them cans of paint, rollers, extension handles, foam brushes, & a rickety old ladder. The liberty van could only carry them part of the way; the rest they hiked. At the conclusion of the short climb stood two 50-foot by 20-foot historical landmarks; the now-decommissioned USCGC STORIS' & USCGC YOCONA's signs. The weather-beaten billboards were in dire need of a fresh coat of paint. Thankfully, the 11 members of JARVIS' Restoration Team had arrived to work on both USCGC STORIS' and USCGC YOCONA's signs.



OS1 Araujo & FS3 Wade show their painting skills on

Both ships' landmarks were painted on WWII bunker walls & are easily visible from Iliuliuk Bay; some 300 feet below. Both ships have also since been decommissioned.

JARVIS' restoration team (L-R): FS3 Wade, CDR Meilstrup, OS1 Araujo, FS2 Wright, ET1 Roys, OS2 Kangrga, ENS Thompson, MK2 French, BM3 Kopp, BMI Hollingshead, & LTJG Dente.



USCGC STORIS' billboard, prior to renovation. The sign had been "tagged" by previous visitors & was showing serious signs of weather corrosion.

Refurbishing USCGC YOCONA's sign held particular significance for MK2 Mackenzie French, as his father was part of the cutter's decommissioning crew & also an original billboard artist. The restoration projects took around 3 hours to



MK2 Mackenzie French in front of USCGC YOCONA's billboard, first painted by his father's crew!



The finished product!

complete & made a remarkable difference. Over 15 years of

weather & vandalism had left both signs deteriorated and partly-covered with graffiti. Now both boards stand out boldly against the green hill once again.

JARVIS/DZERZHINSKY Joint Operations!!



USCGC JARVIS & FSB DZERZHINSKY, as seen from the DZERZHINSKY's KA-27 helicopter.

On August 04, JARVIS rendezvoused with FSB DZERZHINSKY (pronounced "Jer-jin-ski"), from the Russian Coast Guard. The 2 vessels, similar in size, crew, & mission objectives, worked in unison to patrol a designated area of Russian waters. LT Johnson, Operations officer, explains, "The operation was intended to advance the level of cooperation between the U. S. Coast Guard and its Russian counterpart, the Border



Captain 1st Rank Dedov, Commanding Officer of the FSB DZERZHINSKY, & Captain Prince exchange gifts in JARVIS' wardroom.

Service, in conducting maritime interdiction efforts. The operation was conducted in a specific region of the North Pacific, which falls under the jurisdiction of members of the North Pacific Anadromous Fisheries Commission (NPAFC), whose members include: Russia, the U.S., Canada, Japan, and South Korea.

The NPAFC is intended to prevent the depletion of high-value salmon stocks during the period of life when they live in salt water."

To kick off the joint operation, members of DZERZHINSKY's command visited JARVIS to discuss patrol plans and exchange ideas. Captain 1st Rank Dedov, Navigator Pashe Ponomaryov, and interpreter Andrei Vodolatsky joined Captain Prince, CDR Meilstrup, LT Johnson, FSCS Brady, & YN2 Lipin in JARVIS' wardroom. The Russian officers offered compliments to JARVIS in celebration of Coast Guard Day.

As another part of the joint venture, FSB DZERZHINSKY launched its helicopter for a series of aerial photographs of both vessels. The helicopter, a Russian KA-27, entertained onlookers from both ships with daring, close approaches & acrobatic maneuvers that afforded both ships' crews

some excellent photographs!



FSB DZERZHINSKY's Captain, Navigator, & interpreter arrive alongside JARVIS, escorted by YN2 Lipin, BM3 Jakubowski, & FN Rice.



The Russian KA-27 hovers low over USCGC JARVIS during an aerial photography exercise.



FSB DZERZHINSKY looms large as small boat engineer FN Rice & Jar 1's boat crew arrive to pick up the first Russian exchange crew



Captain 1st Rank Dedov, Navigator Pashe Ponomarev, & Interpreter Andrei Vodolatsky enjoy a ride with BM3 Jakubowski, FN Rice, & SN Ramirez!

Crew Exchanges!!



LT Morrow, ENS Mullins, EM1 Lewis, ENS Torres, MKCS Patterson, Engineering Officer Anton Nekrasov, Pilot Misha Kabanov, Officer Sergei Chudnovets, Chief Konstantin Smirnov, ET3 Strain, & MK3 Humphries gather in main control for a group photo!

During the several-day joint operation, both ships sent & received exchange crews. Crew-members selected by each vessel gained valuable insight into how another nation's Coast Guard operates. Though

the language barrier proved difficult at times,

communications continued even when TAD interpreters YN2 Lipin & ET3 Strain were called away for official duties.

In total, 10 members of JARVIS' crew were able to experience life aboard



a Russian Border Guard vessel. On the first day of joint operations, FSB DZERZ-

HINSKY sent 2 crew members to JARVIS for the evening. 6 members of JARVIS' crew were transported to the DZERZHINSKY for a similar learning experience. On the second day of exchanges, both ships exchanged 4



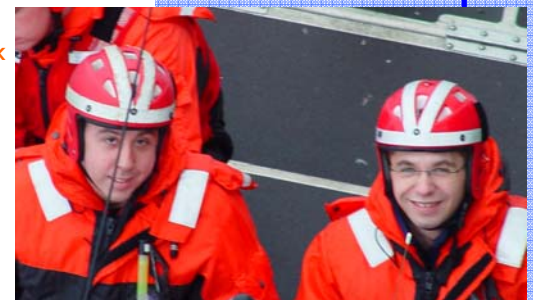
EM3 Vitale, EMC Scarborough, & LTJG Dente pose in front of one of FSB DZERZHINSKY's many armaments.



Pilot Misha Kabanov, SN Dougherty, SNBM Yingling, Engineering Officer Anton Nekrasov, & Officer Sergei Chudnovets enjoy a laugh in the laundry room!

sailors.

Towards the end of their visit, the Russian sailors took some time out on the messdeck to answer some questions from JARVIS' crew.



EM3 Vitale & YN2 Lipin are all smiles as they sit aboard JARVIS, waiting to head over to FSB DZERZHINSKY as part of an exchange crew!



Pilot Misha Kabanov, ET2 Alicea, FS2 Wright, YN2 Lipin, DC2 Knapp, ENS Thompson, OS3 Kruger, & the Aviation Navigator pose in front of the imposing Russian KA-27 helicopter!

"Those blue & white uniform shirts were the bomb!!", FN Blalock

PETROPAVLOVSK-KAMCHATKA, Russia



FN Prewett & SN Ogg share a few moments with some young members of Russia's military.

*"Spaseba
vam,
Rossia,"
("Thank-
you,
Russia")
YN2
Idlebong*

As an added bonus to JARVIS' exchange with the Russian Border Guard, the ship was also invited to pull into Russia! Unlike other ports of call, the inbound journey was quite lengthy. JARVIS embarked 2 pilots & 2 members of the US Defense Attaché Office in Moscow part way through the transit. The mooring evolution con-

sisted of dropping both anchors & backing the cutter down to the wharf for a stern-to mooring known as a Mediterranean Moor. Far from an easy evolution, the entire crew pulled together to make a smooth & seamless job of this complicated mooring!



FS3 Hagans, FS3 Young, ET3 Christopher, FS3 Santiago, MK1 Aponte, MK1 Lutz, & YN2 Idlebong pose in front of one of very few English signs!!



"The people were so nice! One lady showed us around for 2 hours. All we'd asked for was directions to an ATM!! She totally went out of her way for us," SN Horgan

JARVIS' presence drew quite a crowd! FS3 Wade & FN Page stand proudly with an interesting souvenir; a Communist flag! ET1 Bear, ET3 King, FS1 McAndrew, FN Page, & FS3 Wade make an impressive first impression for many of the locals! JARVIS can't go anywhere without a welcoming committee! The long, unsteady brow back onboard!



The Realm of the **GOLDEN DRAGON!!**

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Once in a very rare while, a sailor is lucky enough to be invited to join an ancient & elite society. In sailing over the Equator or the Arctic Circle, for example, sailors enter different realms for which Davy Jones is responsible. During this trip, JARVIS & her crew sailed west across the International Date Line. As such, Davy Jones & his raggedy bunch of previously-initiated sailors invited the uninitiated, scallywag crew to become "Honorable Golden Dragons"!!!

The passage into the realm of the Golden Dragon is a closely kept secret. Few amongst the land lubbers knows of the rites & rituals, trials & festivities through which "Wogs" must pass! And so it shall remain. Suffice it to say that Davy Jones got what he wanted from Captain Prince & his crew, in exchange for a safe passage back & forth across the infamous & treacherous INTERNATIONAL DATE LINE...



DC2 Knapp bobs for a gift for King Neptune; one of the Wogs' favorite activities!!



EM3 Tutwiler, MK3 Camacho, & SN Conrad arise as newly initiated GOLDEN DRAGONS!!



MK1 Lutz, ENS Hu, BM1 Acosta, SK2 Merchant, SN Okey, GMC Lange, & FS3 Wade enjoy the flight deck festivities



(L-R, back row)ETC Jeffers, OSC Greiner, Davy Jones, MKC Jones (not related to Davy), ET2 Duncan, FN Blalock; (L-R, front) "The Baby", King Neptune, & ET3 King...all enjoying the antics provided by 2 Wogs!!



"The Baby" (HSC Seifert), Davy Jones (MKCS Patterson), & King Neptune (FS1 Edwards) wait patiently for Wog gifts!!

CONGRATULATIONS!!

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Qualifications

- ENS Sinclair, GMC Lange, GM1 Layell, ET2 Alicea, GM2 Dick, FS2 Wright, OS3 Kruger, GM3 Klunder, GM3 Droddy, & SN Nunnally qualified as Force Protection Leaders & Sentries
- SK3 Yonker, ET3 King & GM3 Klunder qualified as a Boarding Team Members
- BM3 Jakubowski qualified as small boat Coxswain
- YN2 Idlebong, ET3 King, SN Okey, & SN Coppin qualified as helicopter tie-downs
- OS1 Araujo & OS2 Kangrga qualified as CIC Watchstanders
- OS2 Jenkins qualified as CIC Watch Supervisor
- FN Prewett, ENS Loop, & ENS Rest qualified as Security Watchstanders
- DC3 Thomas-Nelson & FN Hodges qualified as Auxiliary Watchtanders
- MK3 Humphries qualified as Machinery Watchstander
- EM1 Lewis, MK1 Moeller, MK2 French, & ENS Maca qualified as Throttlemen
- MK1 Moeller & EM1 Lewis qualified as Engineer of the Watch (EOW) inport
- LTJG Mullins, ENS Maca, & MK2 Kauffman qualified as underway EOWs
- BM3 Dellar & SN Jaykins qualified as Quartermasters of the Watch (QMOW)
- SN Coppin qualified as underway Boatswain's Mate of the Watch (BMOW)
- SN Ogg qualified as inport messenger
- BMC Carney & BMC Heggem qualified as inport OOD
- BMC Heggem & BM1 Acosta qualified as underway OOD
- SN Silveria, SN Gribbon, SN Steinbach, & SN Judge qualified as Helm & Lookout
- SN Coppin, SN Biladeau, & SN Knoeppel qualified as inport BMOWs

AUGUST Birthdays...

MK1 Lutz SN Conrad
SN Camp BM1 Acosta
MK2 French CAPT Prince
ET2 Duncan
FS3 Young CDR Meilstrup
FN Dodd SNFS Ocariz

MK3 Lippa advanced to E-5

SNOS Robles & SNBM Dellar advanced to E-4

FA Luras & SA Hartigan advanced to E-3

ENS Thompson & ENS Mullins were promoted to O-2

ETC Jeffers, ET3 Christopher, & GM3 Klunder were awarded Good Conduct Medals

FN Shimotakahara was awarded the non-rate of the month award

SN Nunnally & GM2 Dick were awarded Sea Service Ribbons for completion of 1 year of sea duty

IT1 Joiner was awarded a Sea Service ribbon for completion of 4 years of sea duty

OSC Greiner & BMC Carney were awarded Sea Service Ribbons for completion of 7 years of sea duty

CWO Sanders was awarded a Sea Service Ribbon for completion of 10 years of sea duty

Shout Outs!!

- ☺ Mom, Dad, & Ana Maria-Mahalang yu nu hamyu! Kon guinaiya, si Chris!
- ☺ Syl—miss you! Boom Boom!!
- ☺ Mom & Dad, thanks for my good looks! Love, Paulwall “the people’s champ” haha
- ☺ Princess, I love & miss you & the boys. Love, Sparkie
- ☺ To Ma, Pops, & Pirate Girl...I miss you all & think of you guys often. See you soon!
- ☺ Amber & Blake—I love & miss you both. See you after school!
- ☺ Hey, Dad, Mom, Hope, & family! I miss you all-know that I’m thinking about y’all. I’ll be home before you know it or hopefully A school. Love y’all—Devin
- ☺ Hi, Emily, Flint, & Nicole—I miss you!!
- ☺ Hello to the Hudgins family, the Zitos, the Bowers, & the Gunns. I love & miss you—Virginia
- ☺ Carrie is very busy watching a movie right now, but if she weren’t, she would say hi to you, Mr & Mrs Foster!! (Hello!!) xoxo—Virginia
- ☺ Hey, LAWREN! Happy Anniversary!! You make me so happy, love you!
- ☺ Happy B-day to Caden Cordell; August 31!!
- ☺ Hey, Honey, just wanted to say that I love & miss you & will be home before you know it!
- ☺ To Tobie, Kaitlyn, Olivia, BK & FF, I love you girls very much! Almost done here! ~cj
- ☺ Hi, Parental Units!! Love you much; just seeing if you read the whole thing!! How’s Doc? Miss y’all xxx me
- ☺ To my sweetheart, Skye, I miss you & love you soooo much!! Almost home!
- ☺ Continue to be for me strong, baby, soon it will all be done & I will be home! Aloha wau ia ‘oe ‘O Elise Nicole!
- ☺ I love you, Crystal, Mom, Mrs. Sharon, & Ricci!
- ☺ Peyton & Reiko—I’m still up where the expensive crabs live & “be sure to drink your Ovaltine”! Love, Dad!!
- ☺ Mom—in my thoughts every day; Erika & Jaymes & Joseph— “Semper Paratus” means “never sleep”, & Menda— “Lovez, Random Name & Random Entourage”
- ☺ Hey, sweetheart, just wanted to say that I love you & miss you & before you know it, it will be our wedding day & we will begin our lives together. Can’t wait to see you—Dev

TALENT SHOW PICS!!

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1. ENS Foster, ENS Hudgins, & ENS Rest prepare their number; 2.

Charlie's Angels, in the form of SN Jaykins, SN Coppin, & FN Shimotakahara; 3. SN Dashnaw & SN Ramirez cut a rug as ET2 Bowman looks on; 4.

Master of Ceremonies, CWO Yealey; 5. ET3 Christopher showcases his skills; 6. SN Cordell, SK2 Rodriguez & FSCS Brady

(No! that's MK1 Moeller)!! 7. DC3 Edsell, OS2 Vallet, MK2 Olson, SN Ogg, & FN Gilroy bare some skin in the name of comedy; 8. SK1 Robey demonstrates his moves; 9. YN2 Moore, MK3 Camacho, MK1 Aponte, SN Hoffschneider, & MK1 Huggins bust a move! 10. The Village People—OS3 Carey, ET3 Strain, ET3 King, SN Kerschner, & FS2 Wright; 11. YN2 Moore strikes a pose; 12. SN Okey SN Dougherty doing "Two of Hearts"!!

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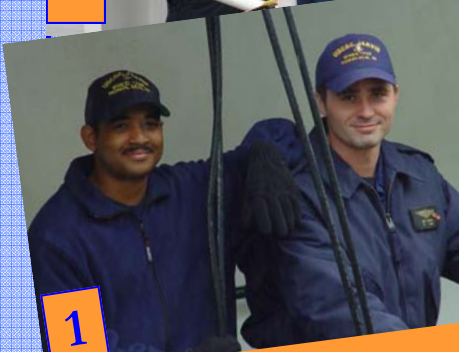
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1. ET3 Christopher & IT1 Joiner prepare to hook up the essential telephone & cable line; 2. OS3 Gonzalez & BM3 Spencer collect intel on fishing vessels; 3. FN Rice shows off his Russian Border Guard items & FN Chennault admires it all; 4. SNFS Ocariz, SN Judge, SN Knoeppel, & SN Silveria; 5. SN Ramirez, BM1 Hollingshead, FN Rice, & SN Biladeau do the pirate stance; 6. SN Singletary, SN Nunnally & SN Hartigan prepare to handle lines on the fantail; 7. SN Coppin & BM1 Hollingshead show off their gunnery uniforms; 8. MK1 Huggins, MK1 Aponte, FN Hodges, FN Rice, MK1 Lutz, FN Smith, FN Chennault share a laugh in main control; 9. ET2 Ray, SK2 Merchant, ET1 Bear, & HS3 Bookout ready for special sea detail; 10. The wardroom & Chief's Mess pose after a rousing game of football; 11. FS3 Wade, FS3 Santiago, & FS3 Young work on evening chow.



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From the desk of the Captain!!

Greetings JARVIS Families.

The days of our patrol continue to speed by. Since our last newsletter we have conducted joint operations with the Russian Border Guard, visited Petropavlovsk-Kamchatka Russia, patrolled the Maritime Boundary Line, conducted Bering Sea fisheries enforcement boardings, conducted 20 drills, and steamed nearly 3000 miles. We are busy; doing some new things and doing some old things. Our visit to P-K was certainly a highlight and we all enjoyed seeing new places and meeting new people. XO thinks we need to do more drills; I don't think the crew is on-board with that.

All is well here on the ship. The crew continues to perform exceptionally, and the ship is operating

reliably and efficiently. We have had a number of junior personnel qualify at watch stations routinely filled by junior officers and Chief Petty Officers - a great reflection on the abilities, professionalism and dedication of our crew members.

I forwarded a message about emergency planning to all families via the Ombudsman. I encourage you to review the recommendations therein, and assess your family's readiness for an emergency situation such as a hurricane, tsunami or earthquake. Though Hawaii is a tropical paradise, access to outside support and supplies would be severely reduced in a severe emergency, making advance preparations critical. As with the XO and drills, you can never do too many or be too prepared.



Thank you for your support of your family and of JARVIS. We look forward to seeing you all upon our return. Please do not hesitate to contact our Ombudsman if you need any assistance or information.

Semper Paratus.

CAPT J Prince

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HELPFUL HINTS!!!

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In Case of Emergency

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Injury / death of a family member:

- Name / Rank / Division
- Social Security Number
- Name of Command / Hull Number
- Command Address

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A note from your Public Affairs Officer

My name is LTJG Katie Thompson & I am the Public Affairs Officer on board JARVIS. Aside from our newsletter **JARVIS JARGON**, we have several other avenues to keep you informed of the events that take place onboard both import and underway :

For news and information regarding your friends and family members serving on JARVIS, please visit our website at: <http://www.uscg.mil/pacarea/jarvis/101.htm>

The latest press releases regarding our current patrol can be found at www.uscgpacificarea.com.

Thank you!

LTJG Katie Thompson

Helpful Websites

Hurricane Preparedness: www.scd.state.hi.us

Military Activities and Happenings: www.greatlifeohawaii.com

Military Spouses looking for Employment: www.jemsjob.com

Army Hawaii Family Housing: www.armyhawaiiifamilyhousing.com

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